PIERRE PARKS/STEET CLOSED TO PUBLIC

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PIERRE – Mayor Laurie Gill announced the closure of several public areas this morning as preparations for the impending flood continue.

Island View Drive, along the Missouri River, is now closed to all traffic due to the construction of a large levee. Trucks and heavy equipment will be moving in and out of this area through at least Thursday and the closure will help prevent impediments which could slow construction.

Also closed, beginning 6 p.m. Saturday, are Steamboat and Griffin parks. Levees are also slated for construction in these areas between today and Thursday.

"It is absolutely essential these construction areas are not impeded by vehicle or foot traffic," Gill said. "I urge all residents to avoid the impacted area and allow public safety, construction works and the residents in these areas to prepare for flooding."

On Friday, the causeway between Pierre and LaFramboise Island was closed to traffic as City crews worked to protect four water wells. Sandbagging of all critical infrastructure is ongoing and will continue as needed.